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Mr. Donald Campbell, Superintendent
USDI National Park Service
Harper's Ferry National Historical Park
P.O. Box 65
Harper's Ferry, WV 25425

Dear Mr. Campbell:

On June 16, 2008, I conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Harper's Ferry National Historical Park. I am pleased to report that no defoliation occurred within any of this year's treatment areas or elsewhere in the Park. However, approximately 52 acres of light defoliation (30-50%) and 84 acres of heavy defoliation (51-100%) were detected in the immediate vicinity of the Park.

We will be conducting gypsy moth egg mass surveys this fall in the four treatment areas. We would like your staff to conduct preliminary egg mass surveys in these areas and any other areas of interest during late summer.

Please contact me at 304-285-1555 if you have any questions regarding the aerial survey or survey letter.

Sincerely,

RODNEY L. WHITEMAN
Forester
Forest Health Protection

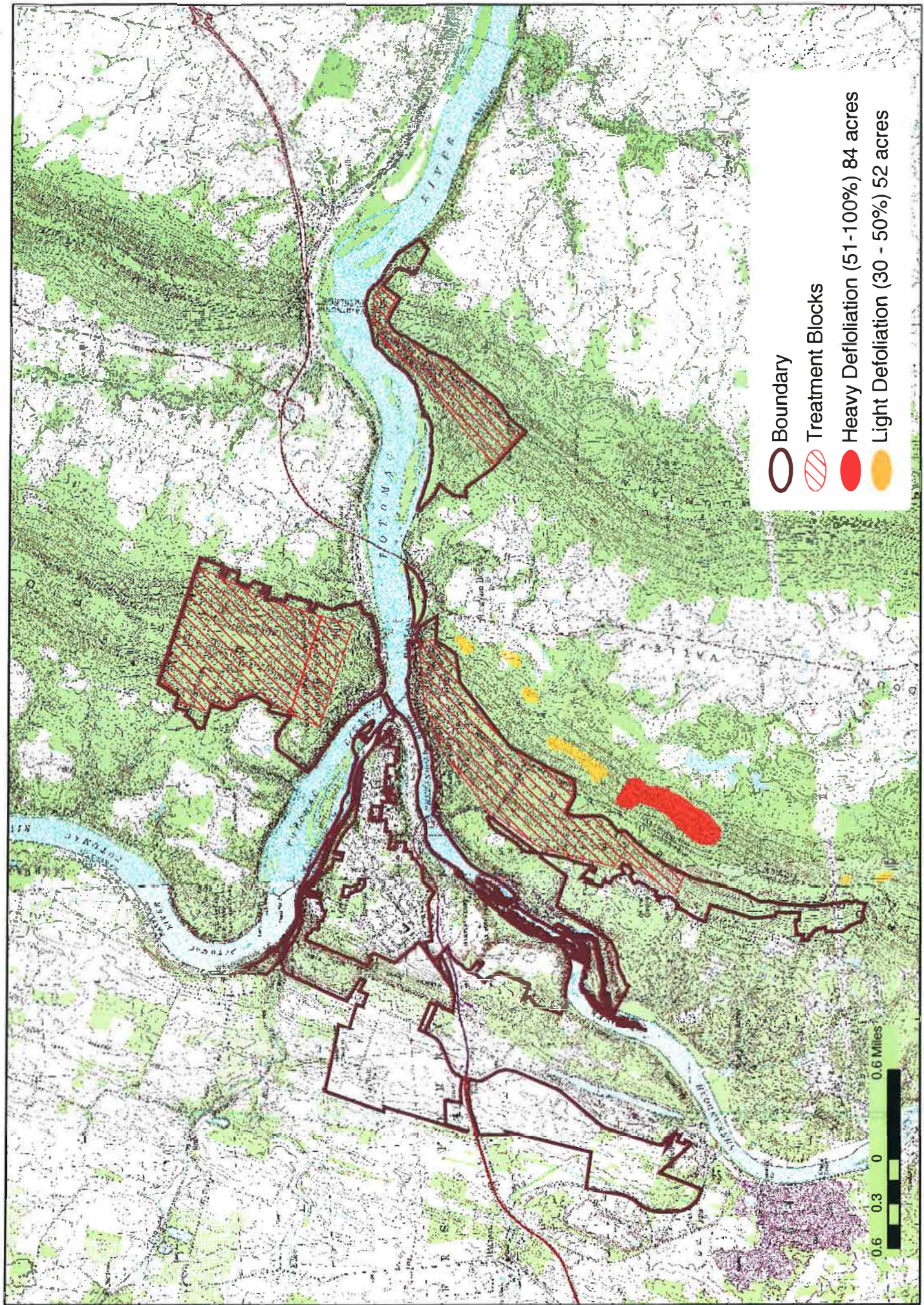
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Figure 1. -- Results of the aerial survey conducted at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park on June 16, 2008, along with the 2008 gypsy moth treatment blocks.



Note: Only defoliation within 0.5 miles of NPS property was mapped